

PLANNING BOARD MINUTES

Public Hearing for Todd Mack for Off the Beaten Track Recoding Studio Special Permit Application for Primary and Secondary Commercial Signs Case # 061208A

Thursday, July 10, 2008

The public hearing was opened at 8:00 PM.

Planning Board members present were: Christopher Tomich, Anthony Gulotta, Margaret Martin, David Smith Sr. and Timothy Fulco. Sign -in sheet attached.

Secretary M. Martin read the legal notice of the Public Hearing into the public record. The notice had been published for two consecutive weeks in the *Berkshire Record*.

C. Tomich explained the purpose of the Special Permit Hearing and conducted the hearing.

The Applicant, Todd Mack, explained that the primary existing sign structure allows the sign to be seen from Route 7 because it elevates the sign 4 feet off the ground. The secondary sign indicates which building is his business as opposed to his home.

Michael Cittlin, representing Mr. Mack, stated that he is an Attorney in Great Barrington and also Todd Mack's brother in law. He stated that the dimensions of the sign would conform to the bylaws if the sign were at ground level. Atty. Cittlin stated that a Special Permit is needed so that the sign can be seen over the fence.

C. Tomich asked about lights for the sign. Todd Mack said he was not sure if they worked, but there are light fixtures covered in weeds at the base of the sign. The lights point up to the sign. C. Tomich asked him to make sure they were not too bright.

There were no letters from abutters. Deliberations were scheduled for Wednesday, July 23, 2008.

At 8:10 PM, D. Smith Sr. made a motion, seconded and approved 5-0, to close the public hearing.

Respectfully submitted,

Nadia Milleron.